mities during the last three years; what is the amount recommended by he Central Teams; and what was the amount sanctioned by the Central Government to different States on this account;

(b) how much amount was actually released and what was the utilisation rate?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the Sabha.

Amount sanctioned to States for drought relief measures

@@2120. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) what amounts were sanctioned by Government to different States for drought relief work in each of the last three years indicating the figures State-wise and year-wise;

(b) what was the amount used in each case; and

(c) what steps Government propose to take to ensure that the amount sanctioned is entirely and specifically used by the concerned State Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHYAM LAL YADAV): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(c) The execution of the relief operations is the responsibility of the State Government concerned. In order to ensure that Central assistance is spent on the items for which it is approved, Government of India releases the amount against the approved ceilings after scrutinising item-wise expenditure reported by the respective State Governments.

Execution of Yamuna River Front Development Project

@@@2121. SHRI JAGDISH JANI Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is any proposal under Government's consideration to execute Yamuna river front development project;

(b) if so, the amount earmarked for the purpose;

(c) whether a comprehensive scheme has been drawn up for implementing the above projects; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) to (d) A comprehensive scheme for development of Yamuna river front within the U.T. of Delhi keeping in view the aspect of flood control, pollution control environmental improvement, chanalisation of the portion of river and physical planning of the river bed etc. is being drawn up by the DDA. The scheme will be finalised after getting the results of 'Modal Study' being conducted in this regard by the Central Water & Power Research Station, Pune. An amount of Rs. 52 lakhs has been earmarked for the purpose.

Nickel mining and smelting project in Orissa

2122. SHRI YALLA SESI BHUSHANA RAO: Will the Minister of

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@@@ Previously Unstarred Question 1087, transferred from the 4th August, 1988.